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23 October 1950

MEMORANDUM: FOR MR. HOUSTON

SUBJECT: Separation Allowance

1. This is in answer to your memorandum of 18 October 1950, concerning separation allowance for an employee who desires, for reasons of deficient medical facilities, to leave his wife and children in the United States when he goes to [redacted] for duty.

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2. Section 7.2 of the Standardized Government Civilian Allowance Regulations provides that:

"A separation allowance may be granted whenever the head of an agency determines that an officer or employee of the agency is compelled to maintain his family, or any of them elsewhere than in the country of his assignment because of the existence of notably unhealthful or excessively adverse living conditions at the post..."

3. No designation of certain posts as unhealthful for the purposes of this Section 7.2 has been found and it therefore appears that this is an administrative determination to be made under the facts of each case. In this case, medical facilities for childbirth would have to be so deficient as to make the post "notably unhealthful" for mother or child. This determination, by the language of Section 7.2, is to be made by the "head of an agency."

4. The "head of an agency" is defined in Section 1.5 of the Standardized Government Civilian Allowance Regulations as "... the head of an agency or anyone designated by him to grant and account for allowances in his behalf."

5. [redacted] delegates the authority to review and authorize allowances to the Chief of Special Support Staff and the Chief of the Finance Division.

6. Consequently, the Chief of the Finance Division, SES, on the recommendation of OSO or OPC as the case may be, may authorize payment of a separation allowance in this case, if he sees fit to do so. He may wish to consult the medical staff before reaching a decision.

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cc: Chief, *Special Support Staff*